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AND IMAGE-RECORDING DEVICE

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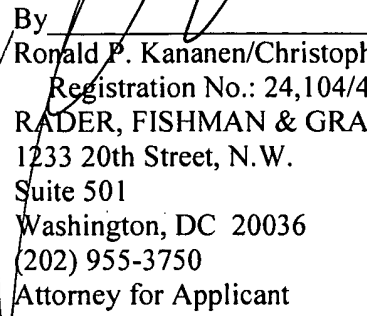
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It is requested that the Examiner review the information noted and make such consideration of record.

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